

NEWS AND NOTES

Indecent Publications Tribunal

On 12 May the Tribunal announced its decision, which it had reserved on 26 April, on the expurgated paper-back edition of *Fanny Hill*, declaring that "We accordingly make a ruling which the Statute permits classifying it as indecent in the hands of persons under 18 years of age, though we feel considerable doubt as to how far, if at all, such a classification will have the effect sought."

N.Z.L.A. Training Course

The first preliminary examination for the N.Z.L.A. Training Course under the new syllabus will be held in November. One hundred and thirteen candidates have been accepted for it, a larger number than was originally expected.

New N.Z.L.A. Branch formed

At a recent meeting in Napier, it was decided to form a Hawke's Bay Branch of the N.Z.L.A., Mr I. W. Malcolm being elected President, and Miss D. M. Skinner elected Secretary. Standing Executive, at its meeting in May, agreed to this; and the area to be included in this Branch will extend from Takapau to East Cape.

Maori Library Services pamphlet

An eight-page pamphlet on library services, aimed at the Maori community, has been published by the Maori Library Service Committee of the N.Z.L.A. This pamphlet will be distributed free to institutional members of the Association and other bodies, but will also be available free on request to the Registrar of the Association.

I.F.L.A. conference

A General Council Meeting of the International Federation of Library Associations will be held between 16-21 August in Helsinki. The theme of this meeting will be: International and linguistic aspects of library service.

Pamphlet on a National Library

As mentioned in the May *News and Notes*, this eight-page pamphlet is now well advanced and is expected to be distributed shortly. It will be published in an edition of 5,000 copies and sets out the Association's policy on, and support for, the establishment of a National Library.